

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

1. (Currently amended) A portable medical monitoring apparatus comprising:
 a portable monitoring device for medically monitoring to detect an occurrence of a predefined abnormal condition; and
 a wireless transmitter attached to the device and configured for automatically, wirelessly and directly communicating the occurrence to a portable phone upon detection by the device of said occurrence, the phone being configured to make an emergency call upon receiving the communication by dialing a phone number of a phone belonging to a designated individual.
2. (Previously presented) The apparatus of claim 1, wherein the monitoring is of a subject, the device being attached to the subject during the monitoring.
3. (Previously presented) The apparatus of claim 1, wherein the phone comprises a Bluetooth device, said apparatus further comprising a Bluetooth device configured for said communicating with the Bluetooth device of the phone.
4. (Currently amended) The apparatus of claim 1, further comprising the phone, said phone having an automatic dialer, the phone being configured to, upon said receiving the communication, activate the automatic dialer to call ~~a particular~~ the phone number.
5. (Currently amended) The apparatus of claim 4, wherein the phone is further configured to play a pre-recorded message for the designated individual on the call when the call is answered.

6. (Currently amended) A portable medical monitoring system comprising:
a portable monitoring apparatus for medically monitoring to detect an occurrence of a predefined abnormal condition; and
a portable phone having an automatic dialer and configured to, upon detecting of said occurrence by said apparatus, activate the automatic dialer to call a ~~particular~~ phone number of a phone belonging to a designated individual until the designated individual personally answers the call, the phone being further configured to play a pre-recorded message for the designated individual on the call when the call is answered.
7. (Previously presented) The system of claim 6, wherein the apparatus is configured to communicate said detecting of said occurrence automatically, wirelessly and directly to the phone.
8. (Previously presented) The system of claim 6, wherein the monitoring is of a subject, the device being attached to the subject during the monitoring.
9. (Previously presented) The system of claim 6, wherein the phone comprises a Bluetooth device, said apparatus further comprising a Bluetooth device configured for communicating to the Bluetooth device of the phone said detecting of said occurrence.
10. (Previously presented) The system of claim 6, wherein the phone further comprises a global positioning system (GPS) unit configured for determining a street map location of the phone, the phone being further configured to augment the pre-recorded message with said location.
11. (Previously presented) The system of claim 6, wherein the pre-recorded message is a voice message and the playing of the message occurs on a voice channel.

12. (Currently amended) A portable medical monitoring method comprising the steps of:
medically monitoring, with a portable monitoring device, to detect an occurrence of a predefined abnormal condition;

automatically, wirelessly and directly communicating, by a wireless transmitter attached to the device, the occurrence to a portable phone upon detection by the device of said occurrence; and

making, by said phone, an emergency call upon receiving the communication by dialing phone numbers stored in the phone, each of the phone numbers being associated with a phone belonging to a designated individual, until one of the designated individuals personally answers the call.

13. (Currently amended) The method of claim 12, wherein the call making step further comprises the step of activating an automatic dialer in the phone to call ~~a particular~~ the phone numbers.

14. (Currently amended) The method of claim 12, wherein the call making step comprises the step of playing, by said phone, a pre-recorded message for the designated individual that answered the call on the call when the call is answered.

15. (Currently amended) A portable medical monitoring method comprising:
medically monitoring, by a portable medical monitoring apparatus, to detect an occurrence of a predefined abnormal condition;

upon detecting of said occurrence by said apparatus, activating an automatic dialer in ~~the~~ a phone to call a particular phone numbers stored in the phone, each of the phone numbers being associated with a phone belonging to a designated individual; and

playing, by said phone, a pre-recorded message for the designated individual that answers the call on the call when the call is answered.

16. (Previously presented) The method of claim 15, further comprising the step of automatically, wirelessly and directly communicating, by said apparatus, to the phone said detecting of said occurrence.

17. (Previously presented) The method of claim 15, wherein the monitoring is of a subject, the device being attached to the subject during the monitoring.

18. (Currently amended) A portable medical monitoring apparatus comprising:

a portable monitoring device for monitoring one or more medical conditions for the occurrence of one or more predefined abnormal conditions;

a portable communication device for receiving a signal from the portable monitoring device that one of the predefined abnormal conditions has occurred;

wherein the portable communication device relays the occurrence of the predefined abnormal condition by establishing a connection to one or more selected emergency contact[[s]] individuals by and providing to the emergency contact individuals a notification of the occurrence of the abnormal condition that has occurred and a location of the ~~of the~~ portable monitoring device.

19. (Previously presented) The portable medical monitoring apparatus of claim 18, wherein the location is defined by a global positioning system.

20. (Previously presented) The portable medical monitoring apparatus of claim 18, wherein selected locations can be predefined with location labels.

21. (Previously presented) The portable medical monitoring apparatus of claim 18, wherein the emergency contact that is closest to the location is notified first.

22. (Currently amended) The portable medical monitoring apparatus of claim 18, wherein the notification comprises a telephone call to a phone of the one or more emergency contact[[s]] individuals including a selected, pre-recorded message.